House of Representatives



General Assembly

File No. 170

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House Bill No. 5194

House of Representatives, March 28, 2006

The Committee on Human Services reported through REP. VILLANO of the 91st Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 46a-11 of the 2006 supplement to the general
- 2 statutes is amended by adding subdivision (14) as follows (Effective
- 3 *October 1, 2006*):
- 4 (NEW) (14) Establish an Accessibility Advisory Board with
- 5 membership comprised of design professionals, persons with
- 6 disabilities, persons who have family members with disabilities and
- 7 any other person that the director believes would provide valuable
- 8 insight and input on matters relating to accessibility. The Accessibility
- 9 Advisory Board shall meet periodically at such times and places as the
- 10 director designates, to advise the director on accessibility matters
- 11 relating to housing, transportation, government programs and
- 12 services, and any other matters deemed advisable by the director or
- 13 the board.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2006		46a-11

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill allows the director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities to establish an Accessibility Advisory Board which is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact.

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There is no fiscal impact in the out years.

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OLR Bill Analysis HB 5194

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD.

SUMMARY:

This bill allows the director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities to establish an accessibility advisory board. The bill requires the advisory board to be comprised of design professionals, people with disabilities, people whose family members have disabilities, and anyone else the director believes would provide valuable insight and input on matters relating to accessibility. The board must meet periodically, at times and places the director designates, to advise him on accessibility matters relating to housing, transportation, government programs and services, and any other matters the director or the board deems advisable.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2006

COMMITTEE ACTION

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable Yea 13 Nay 3 (03/14/2006)